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Symptoms of Uremia in Patients

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

This is a reply to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2000 setting a three (3) month statutory period for reply. Please enter the following remarks and amendments into the record.

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending in this application. Claims 1-4 have been rejected. Claims 5-7 have been withdrawn from consideration.